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North Korean army [redacted] provided that
supervisory teams [redacted] behind the lines were to observe combat troops
and officers and were to have authority to execute any who retreated. The
teams were comprised of combat Veterans who were loyal Communists. A directive

initiated a campaign to recruit members of the party among the North Korean
armed forces. The purpose of this campaign was to secure more effective
obedience to orders and discipline in the army. The general propaganda line
in the army attempted to convince the troops that victory would finally be won
by North Korea, because first, she had the backing of 800 million people in the
Soviet Union, China, and Europe, and second, her supply line was short. In
contrast, the propaganda pointed out, although the United States claimed 53
nations were fighting against North Korea, their ideological unification is loose,
and the United Nations forces were relying on supply lines that stretched across
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